

# Easter's ABCs

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Let *A* stand for amaryllis,  
*B* for betray,  
*C* for cast,  
and so on until *W*  
straddles  
want and wake—  
the advance men for rapture.

Substitute lilies for amaryllis,  
a kiss for betrayal.  
Gather a Roman cast,  
straddling  
Jewish law.  
Wake  
to rapture.